

Dear Friends,

2009

This will be the last newsletter this year. Most e-mail addresses we send this up-date to are business accounts. I really hope you will read this next year: it means you don't work the last day of 2009. Great!. If you do have to work, I have to work too!

It was a very 'fast' year. We have learned a lot and we are still developing lots of ideas into workable and useful things. Times goes really fast and we would like 2009 to have 500 days. But in the end we are sure we will be ready next summer. Ready to entertain tourists in the best way possible. 2010 will be a fast year too. But also a year which will bring lots of fun for you (end us.)



Winter Storage

Prediction.

In the newsletter of December 2008 a prediction was written. It was all about the end of the financial crisis. In the Netherlands the economy finally starts growing again. Export is the main reason. The unemployment rate is not getting higher. Companies have more faith in a good 2010. We are far from being fully recovered but it is a start.

The same process is going on in the States and all over the world. We know lots of people don't benefit from it right now, but wait a while and you too will finally notice better days are coming. We are sure of it.

Tours.

For ProHolland waiting is over. Next summer we will organize the first trips through our beautiful country. We want to start slow. Our plan is to do 4 trips. After each trip we like to

have some extra time to evaluate so we can (if this is necessary) improve the next trip. The dates will be available before the end of February. Of course the prices will be available too by that time. We will keep you informed.

Guestbook.

Did you see it? It was really there! Oké we have to admit it was only on the website for a couple of days..... We really didn't like the design although it was a very cheap one. Being a new company costs are very high. We thought we could save some money using a 'public guestbook'. This was a mistake. Before the end of January a new guestbook specially made for us will be at our website. We are looking forward to it and hope people will leave a message.

"Dutch" habits.

We don't eat marshmallows. But we do eat '*olie bollen*' at New Years Eve. Oil balls. (Or 'apple flaps'. Any idea what they are?) Sounds bad! It is dough fried in hot oil. Like potato chips. You have to sprinkle sugar over them. Eating them without getting your clothes dirty with white powdered sugar isn't possible.



At twelve a clock we go outside to kiss everyone we see. Even people we don't know. Three times! And wish them '*gelukkig nieuwjaar*'. Happy New Year. After getting cold to the bone we go to the neighbors on the right side. Drink a Heineken and go to the neighbors at the left. Again a Heineken. Up to the neighbours across the street. Heineken again. Do we have to explain more?? Please be careful whenever you want to practice this last part.

P.s. If we are lucky we even get a '*bitterbal*'. It is impossible to translate this. Come to the Netherlands and we will eat a bitterbal together!

2010

Have a great night with your family and friends. ProHolland likes to wish you all the best for 2010. But always remember: personal happiness is far more important than a carrier, even if your success will bring lots of money.

Next newsletter: next February 2010. Just to keep you folks informed

Have fun and joyful days.

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Ps. If you aren't interested please let me know and I'll stop the e-mails.